

MID-YEAR EXAMS ON JAN. 17-21

P. A. BANQUET A HUGE SUCCESS

The Practical Arts Department was well represented at the Annual Get-together of the Massachusetts Industrial Education Society which held its meeting at the Hotel Lenox in Boston, Saturday, January 8th, 1938.

The banquet was preceded by a general socializing of both young and old. After an enjoyable banquet, the speaker, Mr. Roy G. Fales, gave an interesting talk on the subject of "Industry's Challenge to Education." Mr. Fales is the Supervisor of Industrial Education in the State of New York. Following the talk by Mr. Fales, a general discussion was held in which our Fitchburg instructors took active part.

The evening ended with the awarding of prizes to those holding the winning numbers. Of the
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CHINESE ECONOMIST SPEAKS AT FORUM

Refuting all arguments for a Japanese invasion of China, Dr. Cha'o Ting Chi, economist and historian, declared Sunday afternoon at the Community forum that Japan really wants monopolistic control of China's raw materials.

An enforced American boycott, he said, combined with withdrawal of French and British trade would soon end the Sino-Japanese conflict. World peace would, in that event, profit greatly.

Rev. Max A. Kapp introduced the speaker and presided at the question hour which followed. Theodore Pierce of Leominster, pianist, played several selections.

DR. RUSSELL SPEAKS AT ASSEMBLY

On January 10, Carl Russell, Ph.D., appeared on the speaker's platform to discuss his latest book "Education for the Future." Startling us by announcing that the book wrote him, Dr. Russell explained that to be vital a book should spring spontaneously from the author's background and knowledge. Every author declared Dr. Russell should set up questions for himself to answer, rather than just sit down and try "to write a book." By answering these questions a real contribution to the author's field may be made. Dr. Russell tried to
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WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Week of Jan. 17th

Monday

- 3:05—W. G. A. and M. S. A. Meetings
3:30—Men's basketball practice—here

Tuesday

- No Assembly—Exams
12:30—Glee Club
12:40—Intra-Mural board meeting
4:00—Men's basketball practice - B. F. Brown

Wednesday

- 12:30—Glee Club
4:00—Men's basketball practice here
8:00—Basketball game F. T. C. vs. Keene—here

Thursday

- No Assembly—Exams
12:40—M. A. A. Meeting
4:00—Men's basketball practice—B. F. Brown

Friday

- 3:00—Men's basketball practice—here
5:00—Saxifrage Bazaar

A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT

A gloomy sense of forboding hangs over the Fitchburg State Teachers College. The storm clouds, in evidence for over a week, have now approached like winged phantoms of Hades, and taken a most ominous position directly above the dear sanctum which shelters the skeletons of what once were the forms of our fellow students--the flesh having been worn away by persistent application to books.

Slowly, sadly, do the victims march to the slaughter scheduled to be opened Monday, January 17. Unlike the celebrations so famous in the time of Rome's glory, the punishments inflicted on the captives will provide glee for only one person--the instructor. The long period of torture will be brought to a conclusion Friday, January 22, when those who have succeeded
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JUNIORS PLAN ANNUAL PROM

A Junior Prom to surpass all Junior proms is the promise of the members of the class of 1939 who for the past two months have been diligently making preparations for this annual promenade to be held in the College Library, January 28th. All eyes are searching for advance knowledge of this the first and most promising event of 1938.

Heads of the various committees include: Mary Chase, Thornton Pettee, John Mitchell, Larry Houle, Norma Richardson, Paul Martilla, and Eleanor McCarthy.



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EDITORIAL

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

While the Student Employment Bureau has been finding work for students regularly for two months, the volume of business has been disappointingly small. This seems to be due largely to insufficient publicity.

Advertising in the local papers will help this somewhat. Much however, must come from you. TALK IT UP.

We who can always raise our term fees by an eloquent appeal to a brother or aunt may feel not greatly concerned with all this. Still those of us who know what it is to wonder what we shall do after that left sole wears through need your help in this way: Help us by mentioning the Student Employment Bureau to those to whom you talk in the community.

The clock of life is wound but once,

And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop,

At late or early hour.
Now is the only time **you** own,
Give, Love, Toil with a will,

Place no faith in tomorrow,
For the clock may then be still.

THE ASH TRAY

By Harry Moore

STATION H-O-L-D-E-N

After 18 years of urban life, I suddenly wake up and find myself a farmer (ie - actually). The beautiful, the invigorating, the ever bucolic.. where:

1. Your car fare to the city costs double.
2. Chickens lay eggs that must be gathered though they look like city sold eggs(a shell, one yolk and one white, at least.)
3. Milk which you believe comes only in a bottle really comes from a cow which has to be milked. The milk then has to be tested before it can go into a bottle.
4. Day really dawns a lot earlier than you think in the city. (Up at 5:00 for an 8:20 class.)

All in all I would much prefer to be back in the city and enjoy; walking home, eating eggs that come from a box, drinking milk that comes from a bottle and sleeping a little longer in the morning.

Give us a toot on the tooter, Tommy! Folksiz (phonetics)

We Wonder.....

If Haire will ever make a catch or if he knows who he'll ask for when he knocks on the day girls's door.

Who Norma will say yes to on the Junior Prom question. (Good luck, victor)

If another Senior class will be as lucky in its president as the class of '38.

About Johnson at noon.

If Creamer isn't serious about Flo.

About O'Sheasy being a member of the Junior class. (Left out of the Sax Directory and left out of the roll call during Junior Class meeting.)

"In spite of Gloomy Gil Creamer's predictions we expect a good team."

Why the first semester training students look so happy.

SAXIFRAGE BOARD
PRESENTS DIRECTORY

The first college day of the New Year brought the fourth annual campus directory published by the Saxifrage Board. The directory has put in its appearance three months earlier than any previous publication. Issued with the cooperation of our many city friends, it offers valuable information in convenient, compact form. In the directory the goods of dependable merchants are advertised and the names and addresses of the college faculty and your fellow students are found.

The 1938 directory has a new innovation, that is the list of important all-college groups. This list makes us realize more fully the great number of organizations that exist in our college.

For the benefit of the Junior class one hundred additional copies of the directory were printed to facilitate the canvassing of advertisements for the next year's directory.

DRAMATIC CLUB
PLANS CLASS PLAYS

Plans for the competitive class plays were made at the Dramatic Club meeting, Wednesday, January 5th.

Senior members of the club will present a one act play on February 2nd, under the direction of Mildred Slattery, and the Sophomores will present their play February 16th, with Dorothy Sears as director.

After three plays have been produced, the best play will be selected by a vote of the club. The present Sophomores won the competition last year.

At the close of the meeting dancing, games, and refreshments were enjoyed.

Thank you, Tommy.

My thought for the day concerns the commuters: A hitch in time means a ride in.

Station H-O-L-D-E-N..signs off.

EXAMINATIONS

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in enduring the trials of the week will be subjected to the last result of cruel machinations of educated minds. The victors will be on display at the Saxifrage Bazaar Friday evening.

When ye humble scribe approached the shadow of what was the illustrious editor of the famous newspaper "The Stick", she was amazed and duly horrified to discover that he was so deeply buried in dusty volumes pertaining to his term papers that he was totally unaware of the impending examinations.

Here's some constructive criticism from Amelia Gallucci, "I think they're too long! How about reversing the process?" Her friend Marian exclaimed, "What? Those things here again? I tank I go home." Bradley Leonard was philosophical, "I suppose they're necessary evils." Paul Flaherty, mighty conqueror, gave his famous ape cry, beat his chest in his best Tarzan manner, and quite startled ye timid reporter by roaring, "Bring 'em on!" John Flood, from the depths of a book, said bleakly, "I am too stultified after preparing, to take an examination. Now, go 'way, and let me stultify some more." The McCauliff and Slattery combination, "Two girls with but a single brain think they're needless torture." Milton Jeffery, "Mum's the woid." I translate--in the language of an intelligent assistant librarian, "I stand on my constitutional rights as a citizen, and refuse to talk without a lawyer."

Eddie O'Sheasy rebelled at being asked for a humorous remark, declaring he was always serious. However, he did say that if allowed to swear he could offer a worthwhile contribution. Paul Haire, "After all, examinations are nothing but psychological sandtraps."

And I? I, like the wisest man in the world, know only one thing, and that is, "I know nothing."

I HEREBY RESOLVE**TO— IN '38**

The year 1937 is a thing of the past, but its pleasures, surprises, and regrets have provided a sound basis for drawing up resolutions to be carried out in this, the year 1938. The following are a few of the resolutions made by the students:

- R. Creamer: to be a model boy once and for all times.
- M. Wolfson: to be a better mother to Hot Spit.
- E. Harvey: to show the Fitchburg girls his Worcester Tech techniques.
- R. Hughes: to eat only one meal a day--that one to be continuous.
- C. Hulbert: to stop getting in a certain senior P. A. man's hair.
- L. Baldwin: hers is personal and private but it concerns the Spa.
- M. Moriarty: to ruin anyone who dares to make further remarks about her red curtains and red shoe lacings.
- L. Wennerberg: to keep on looking for Rindge Road -he has not found it yet.
- A. McIntire: didn't make any because with the life she leads they'd be useless.
- A. Owens: to keep out of disputes --political or otherwise.
- V. Bruso: to stop studying and form a Jack Oakie college.
- P. Martilla: to remember his wife's first wedding anniversary.
- A. Clifford: to be agreeable to all people, at all times, under

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A pupil was asked to write a short verse using the words analyze and anatomy. Here's what he produced:

"My analyze over the ocean,
My analyze over the sea,
My analyze over the ocean—
O. bring back my anatomy!"

The feminine of bachelor is lady-in-waiting.

DOCTOR RUSSELL

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answer four questions which are as follows: 1. How do children learn? 2. Why do children learn? 3. When do children learn? 4. What do children learn? Dr. Russell's interest in the first question dates back to his 16th year, while the last two required ten years of intensive study and analysis. No question is ever fully answered and Dr. Russell warned against any undue adulation of the printed word. An author's and no author seeks to have his ideas accepted as gospel. The ideas change with his experience purpose in writing a book is to lead people to where the authors thinking has arrived in the hope that someone will carry on from there.

Concerning an educational philosophy, Dr. Russell's attitude was very clear and concise. There are two schools of thought in this field the organistic and mechanistic, and there must be no compromise when we chose our side of the question. We must have definite understanding of the school of thought we choose and always teach with it in mind. Any attempt to compromise will only result in very confusing lessons. We must study the literature in the field, draw our own conclusion; and always abide by it.

Dr. Russell closed by relating an incident in which Mark Twain in trying to be serious only succeeded in being ridiculed. The moral, as pointed out by the speaker, is very apt for our profession "Never make a fool of yourself in public."

FOR SALE

One pair of Alfred Johnson hockey skates. — Cost \$14 new — Size 11 — Used two years — What do you offer? Box 190

Syncopation is emphasis on a note that is not in the piece.

CAMPUS CHATTER

Heard at the Post-game dance at Tech---"Haven't we kissed before?"

Incidentally--THERE was an orchestra.

And Greta Garbo all alone for about 2 minutes--- or less.

FACULTETTES ---

"A few hot dog stands, gas stations, tourist cabins and what have you?--Civilization".--Miss Webster

"Style is prompted by the desire to be like evrybody else--only more so."--- Mr. Harrington

"The truth is a dangerous thing in the hands of the inexperienced."--- Dr. Percival

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. Sullivan and his bride-to-be. Mr. and Mrs. Donaghue upon their new arrival. A girl I'm told. Mr. Herb Miller (class '36) on his forth-coming marriage.

Mr. J. Healy on his fine display of courage and fortitude as he carried on despite the pain of a badly sprained ankle. (P. B. 'n)

That freshman girl who still smiles and appear gay though she suffered almost intolerable pain from an aching tooth.

J. Warren Anderson on general principles

NOTE to Baker---James, oh James. .whither has't flown thine own dear Gaveleer pin?

Is it true...so help me Lucky really did fall for Mary L.---not only for her but on her--skating at Putts.

The Mohawk squaws threaten to unionize (for collective bargaining perhaps?) so all true braves beware---- beware.

HISTORY REPEATS --- THE wrong bomb caused a war that almost destroyed Europe. The wrong Mohawk pin almost destroyed Sweeney--Owens taffypull. (Right Red?)

DOUBTING THOMAS doesn't believe ---

RESOLUTIONS

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all conditions.

B. McLean Jr.: to stick to teaching science to Soph II girls even after midyears.

M. Slaterry: not to get married "this" year.

J. Brennan: to swing high and swing low at all the school socials.

B. O'Donnell: to study diligently --next year.

P. Hare: to center his attention in one direction at a time.

R. Lagsdin: not to believe every line that the dorm stooges try to hand out this year.

E.O'Sheasy: to live in the future as he has in the past---only more so.

D. Johnson: to maintain his professional dignity even when playing cards.

E. Scully: her list is much too long for the Stick.

That Gearan really measured the library.

That mid-years are difficult.

That the "Grads" are as worldly-wise as they'd have us believe.

That Russian-rummy (P. in B. to you) is a fascinating game.

That the club meeting is the primary reason that the Mohawks and Gavs stay up Monday nights. That the trainees will be happy in five more days.

That box 249 is getting very full of contributions for Campus Chatter.

Boston U. threatens to steal one of our most promising freshman athletes via the scholarship route ---not so Romano?

Will any student who has a B-B gun and is willing to lend it to the Saxifrage board for use at the Bazaar on Jan. 21, please notify Bradley Leonard, Box 307.

P. A. BANQUET

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sixteen representatives from Fitchburg, twelve walked out with prizes. Those winning the prizes were Dr. Herlihy, Mr. Hammond, Paul Goodwin, Tom Aykroyd, Bill Donovan, Jim Baker, Thorton Pettee, Leonard Murphy, Sarge Stanley, Fred Love, Tom Sweeny, and Al Turner. The prizes were donated by various firms who are interested in this line of work.

Others attending the meeting were Mr. Anthony, Ray Lowe, Harry O'Connell, and Stannard Sylvia. Mr. Anthony and Dr. Herlihy were among those seated at the head table.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The semifinal games were played in the gym on Thursday, Jan. 6, from which the Sophomores and Juniors emerged victorious. The Freshmen bowed to the Juniors with a score of 22 to 9 while the Sophomores piled up 27 points to the Seniors' 10.

The Juniors had strong guards in E. Buckingham, G. Lyons, and E. Sheehan, who playing man to man kept the Freshman forwards covered. L. Szocik, star forward, went out of the game on fouls in the second half.

The Sophomore defense centered around R. Hughes, ably supported by H. Whitcomb, M. Owens, E. O'Connor, who used the zone system. The forwards displayed good teamwork.

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